

Operating Manual

KE3600

xDSL MULTITEST



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Keyboard / Display / Ports



Introduction

With the KE3600 Multi Tester for xDSL, Ethernet, ISDN and GPON you have purchased a simple and intuitive solution for Line Qualification, Commissioning and Troubleshooting. In order to use the KE3600 often and successfully as possible, please read through this manual.

The device was manufactured according to the following guidelines:

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DIN VDE 0800

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Safety Instructions

The KE3600 may only be operated with the accessories originally provided. Using the device with accessories that are not original or for applications for which it was not intended can lead to incorrect measurements and may damage the device. The relevant safety regulations in VDE 0100, 0800 and 0805 must be observed.

- The use of connections other than those provided can damage the device. The device should not be used with high-voltage current. Kurth Electronic assumes no liability for damage resulting from improper use.
- Never apply external voltage to the device.
- Open the device only to change the batteries. See the instructions on page 17 . There are no other parts in the device that need to be serviced or calibrated.
- The measuring device is protected from splashing water and dust by the front film covering. However, it is not water-tight.
- Never pull unnecessarily on the cables connected to the device.

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Application

The KE3600 is a fast, easy to use and affordable multimeter for the installation and troubleshooting of DSL services in hybrid ADSL1/2/2+ / VDSL2 and combined networks. With its numerous interfaces, it supports the entire range of broadband network technology such as VDSL2-Vectoring, xDSL-Bonding, SHDSL, Gigabit Ethernet and GPON.

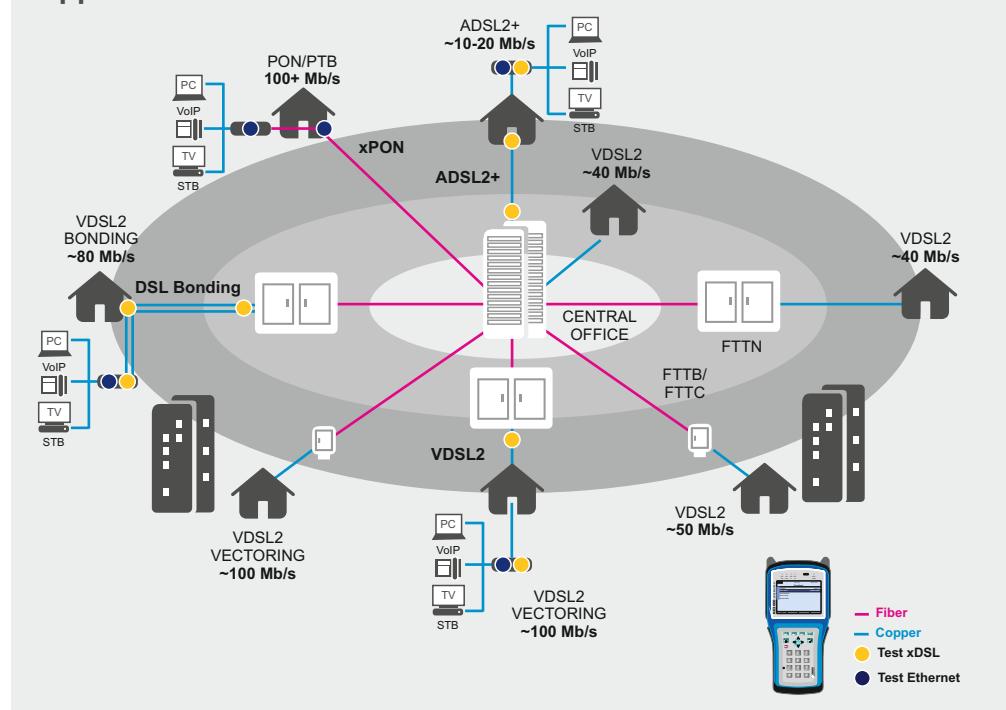
Operation

The KE3600 is a powerful troubleshooting tool for quickly finding faults in the network, outside wiring, customer devices or inside wiring. Even in hybrid networks where FTTH is installed, measurements can be made at any LAN connection using the Ethernet ports of the KE3600. For this reason, the KE3600 is the ideal solution for all broadband technologies.

Use

With its small size, robust design and intuitive operation, it is the perfect tester for installers and service technicians. The user can perform his tasks quickly and efficiently with automatic detection of the xDSL service and definable test procedures. The large display increases operating convenience and, when storing results, the technician has numerous options for exporting the tests and for compiling reports.

Applications



Documentation and Software

Up-to-date operating instructions and software updates can be found in our KE3500 download area after logging on in the CUSTOMER LOGIN.

You will find it under the Downloads menu item. After entering the serial number, you will find all current documents available for download in the following window.

Setting up the KE3600

Battery charge display

The KE3600 comes with a high-performance Lithium Polymer (LiPo) rechargeable battery. Despite its light weight, this allows the device to operate for up to 4 hours in measuring mode under a full load. The charger can simultaneously operate the KE3600 and charge the battery. The battery is safely charged by a special charge controller taking into account the time, voltage and current to ensure maximum service life.

Note: Please fully charge battery before first use!

Keypad

When the KE3600 was developed, emphasis was placed on fast and easy operation.

F1–F4

Menu function buttons. F1: Help function if provided.

ESC

Similar to a computer, the ESC button means "undo the last step," or Back.

SEL

SELECT button. Use this button for selecting like an Enter key.

ON / OFF

Button for turning the device On and Off.

Arrow buttons ▲▼◀▶

The arrow buttons are for menu scrolling UP ▲/DOWN ▼ and LEFT ◀ / RIGHT ▶.

Keypad

Alphanumeric keypad with 1-0, A-Z, special characters.

Text input

F1: abc → 123 Switch between letters and numbers input.

Special characters can be found under the keys * and #.

*: ./@:_+[],=?:

#: #\$%&`{}~

F2: Delete the entire entry line with **Cir**

F3: With **Del** delete individual digits

F4: With ← deleting individual digits from right to left

G993.2 VDSL2 (Vendor)		Showtime	
VTU-R (Annex B/J)			
Line Values			
1 Line	2 Data	3 VoIP	4 IPTV
Resync-Counte	Filename	0000 Kbps	
Actl		5034 Kbps	
Max			
Tx-Pwr	10.8	7.1	dBm
Ø SNR-Margin	14.2	9.5	dB
FEC	0	0	
CRC	2	8	
abc → 123		Cir	Del
		←	

Information LEDs

The KE 3600 has five LEDs that display a range of important but easy-to-use information about the current status of the device. From left to right the LEDs mean:

DSL CRC – orange

This LED lights when a CRC (checksum error) near end or far end is recognized. These errors (fewer than 10) can arise after a connection has been established. In any case, check if the counter is still counting to determine if other causes (faults) exist. You can access the error counter menu in the respective test menu.

DSL LOSS – orange

After a connection is established in non-resync mode, a DSL loss event is displayed here and also signaled with an intermittent tone for 10 seconds. The tone can be stopped by pressing SEL once.

DSL L1 – green

When the KE3600 is activated in xDSL Mode, this LED begins to flash at 2 Hz to signal Ready Status. It is waiting for a carrier. As soon as this is detected LED flashes at 4 Hz until the connection is established, and then it is lit steadily as long as the connection exists.

DSL L2 – green

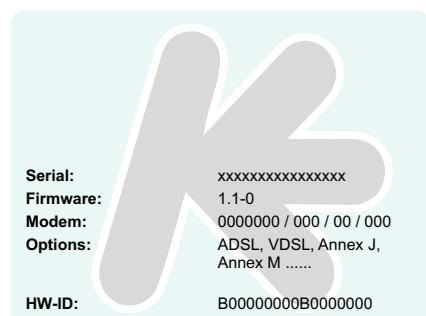
For DSL connection on Line 2 (bonding).

BATT CHRG – green and red

This display is active even when the KE3600 is turned off. The green LED indicates that the power supply or charger is inserted and is supplying power. The red LED signals that the battery is in charging mode. This produces a green/red or orange display during charging. Once controlled charging is complete, the red LED turns off and only the green LED lights to signal that the power supply or automatic charger is still active and that charging is complete. The power supply enables the KE3600 to be charged and operated **SIMULTANEOUSLY**. The car charger only charges the battery.

Switching On

The KE3600 works with an operating system that has to be booted. The boot menu with various device parameters such as the hardware and software versions appears at the end of the booting process. You can bring up the main menu immediately by pressing any button.



Connections

xDSL-TEST Ports

The test port has one shielded RJ11 and one RJ45 port. This is the connection point for the test cables. However, a connection cable for a modem can also be inserted. Do not plug in a RJ11 plug into a RJ45 jack. This may damage the jack.

Ethernet-Ports

The Ethernet ports have different functions. He serves as a download port in conjunction with the KE-manager for the stored measurements, or to upload any software upgrades. In modem mode and router mode, it is the Ethernet port to the customer devices.

USB Port

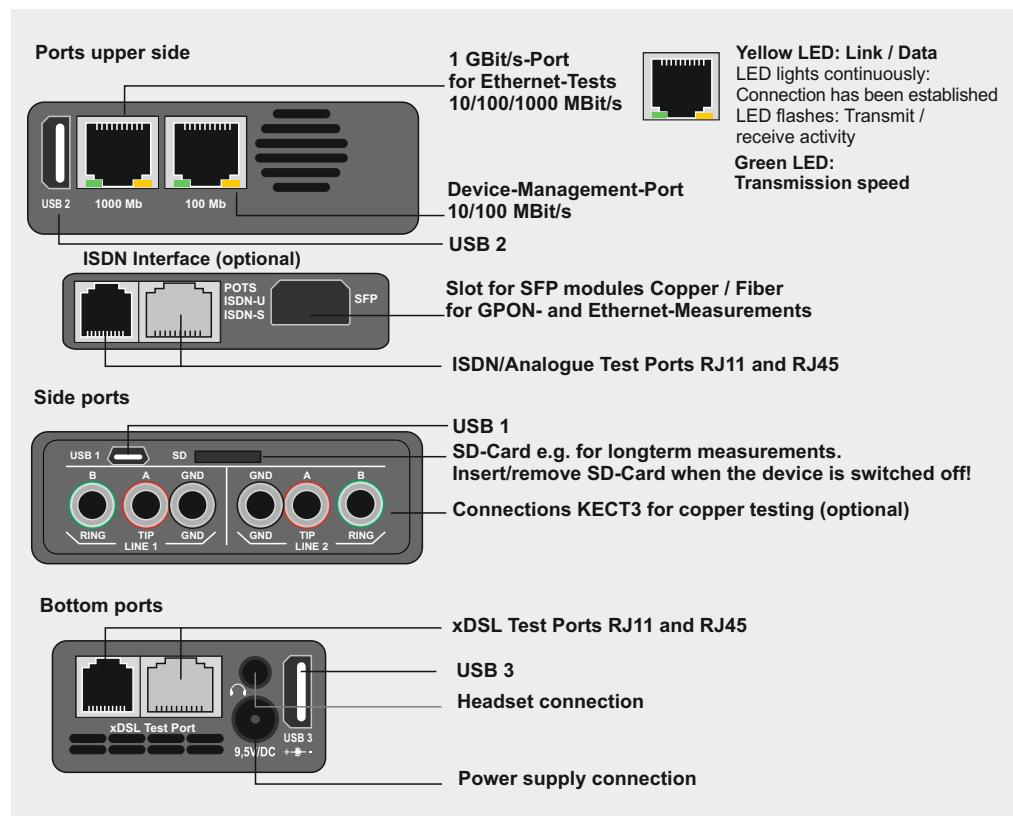
Data may be loaded and software updates performed by way of this port. (Not yet activated)

Connections for copper test (optional)

For two two-conductor shielded measurement cables with device end, three-pin plug TF.

ISDN interface (optional)

ISDN and analogue connections RJ11 and RJ45. Slot for SFP modules Copper / Fiber



Main Menu

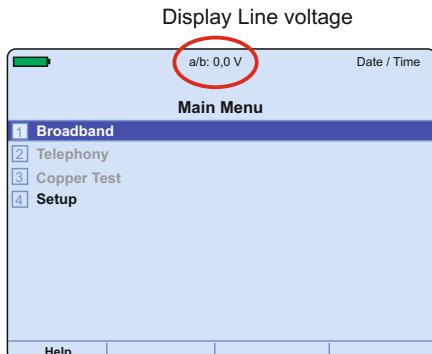
The battery display is at the top left. After calibration, it shows the actual battery charge using 16 levels.

In the center, the line voltage is shown in xTU-R mode in the main menu with a precision of approximately +/- 5%. This tells you if there is any line voltage and its level so that you can distinguish between an analog and ISDN connection. This also reveals if the measurement is before or after a splitter.

The date and time are shown to the right.

Four selection positions are available in the main menu:

1. **Broadband**
2. **Telephony**
3. **Copper Test**
4. **Setup**

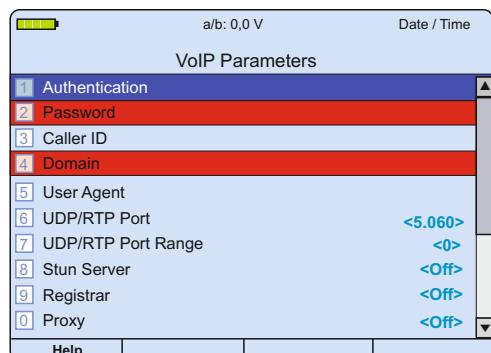


General Operation

In all the menus and submenus that have selection functions, the selectable parameters are either identified with left and right arrows (**◀** and **▶**) or without arrows. When the entry is marked with the left and right arrows, you can switch between parameters by pressing the **◀** / **▶** buttons. When the entry is without the arrows, press SEL (SELECT) to move to a submenu where you can change settings. Press ESC to exit and save the selection in the menu. In the main menus, the previously selected menu item is saved. The next time you turn on the device, the scrollbar is automatically set to the previously selected item.

Markings

<X>	disabled
<✓>	activated, all inputs in order
<?>	activated, complement inputs
<!>	activated, correct entries



**Red bar:
Input / verification
required!**

Setup (Basic Device Settings)

1. Automatic Off

Automatic shutoff after the last button is pushed. Possible settings:

Always On / 3 minutes / 5 minutes / 15 minutes / 30 minutes / 60 minutes.

When a test is running the KE3600 does not shut off even after the time has elapsed.

2. Backlight

Possible settings: *Always On / Always Off / 3 minutes*. Lets you specify the duration before the screen is dimmed in order to preserve the battery. In the selection of *3 minutes* additionally appears *3. Brightness Dimmed* as another menu item. Possible values are from Level 1 to 7, where 1 is dark and 7 is light.

3. Language

Menu languages: German, English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, Dutch. German is the default.

4. Date & Time

Time and date setting: 12 or 24 hour format

Format DD.MM.YY HH:MM e.g. 21.12.07 13:14

5. Software Updates

Checks to see if an update is available and allows ist installation.

Basically, the power supply must be plugged for safety during an update / upgrade, the LED for Batt Chrg must light up green or green and red (orange). Power loss during update / upgrade can have the consequence that the KE3600 stops working and needs to be returned to the manufacturer. The possible need new installation by faulty software can only be downloaded from the manufacturer for a fee. After a successful update / upgrade process for KE3600 is rebooted. The update or upgrade is only possible with the respective current matching KE-Manager.

6. Signals & Display

You can find more settings:

1. Keyboard Beep	On or Off
2. LOSS Beep	On or Off
3. Low Battery Beep	On or Off
4. Brightness	Level 1 to 7 (1 dark, 7 light)

7. Systeminformation

Here you find information concerning Serial number, Firmware, Modem, installed Options and the HW-Id.

a/b: 0,0 V		Date / Time
Systeminformation		
Versions	Licences	
Module	HW-Version	SW-Version
UPD		001.002.007
APP	KE000150	000.012.032
BCM	18D6CF118414	001.406.030
CU		001.007.000
TDR		001.005.001
UTI	002.000.241	001.008.000
ISDN		004.018.001
LPC	003.000.000	001.010.000
More		

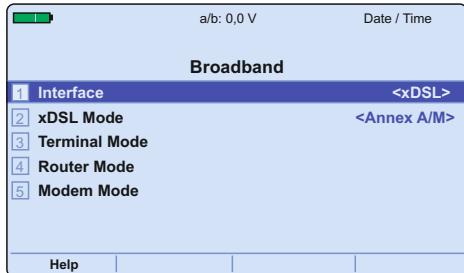
a/b: 0,0 V		Date / Time
Systeminformation		
Versions	Licences	
Module/Feature	Licence granted	
ADSL	Yes	
Annex J	Yes	
Annex M	Yes	
ContSave	Yes	
CopQual	Yes	
DslExpert	Yes	
Ethernet	Yes	
Hardware	Yes	
More		

1. Interface

Setting

options: <xDSL>/<Ethernet>/<SFP>/<SHDSL>.

The menu view changes depending on the selected interface.



2. xDSL Mode

Setting options: <Annex A/M>/<Annex B/J>. In Annex J, a second synchronization approach is needed because the filter from Annex B to Annex J has to be switched over.

3. Terminal (xDSL) with automatic detection of DSL Services

Synchronization with **1** / or press START to run the test ...

Line Values Display

Actl: Actual Up/Downstream

Max: Maximum Up/Downstream

Tx Pwr: Transmission power / dBm

Ø SNR-Margin: Difference between line SNR and required SNR in dB

FEC: Forward Error Correction

CRC: Checksum error

HEC: ATM-Header Error Check

Bitswap: Redirected data of a disturbed communication channel to other channels

Ø Line Atten.: Attenuation in dB

INP: Impulse Noise Protection

Interleave: Delay in ms or 0 for Fast-Path

Line Loss: Loss of the synchronized connection

LOF: ATM receiving station has lost the frame description

LOM: Loss of Margin

SES: Severely Errored Second:

a second with bit error rate

UAS: Number of seconds during which no transfer was possible

ES: Errorred Second: one second of measurement time during which one or more bit errors are present

Duration of the synchronized connection

G993.2 VDSL2 (Vendor)			
VTU-R (Annex B/J)			
Line Values			
1 Line	2 Data	3 VoIP	4 IPTV
		Dn/Near	Up /Far
Resync-Counter	0	104973	50000 Kbps
Actl	134832	56034	Kbps
Max	10.8	7.1	dBm
Ø SNR-Margin	14.2	9.5	dB
FEC	0	0	
CRC	2	8	
HEC	0	0	

More Views Tests

[Help](#)
[Reset errors](#)
[Save measurement](#)

[Line Values](#)
[PPP Status](#)
[Bands](#)
[Vectoring](#)
[SNR](#)
[BAT](#)
[Hlog](#)
[QLN](#)

[Ping](#)
[Traceroute](#)
[Http Download](#)
[FTP Download](#)
[FTP Upload](#)
[VoIP Log](#)
[VoIP Statistics](#)
[VoIP Dial](#)
[IPTV Log](#)
[IPTV Statistics](#)
[IPTV Preview](#)

Function keys and options

F1 More (select with **SEL**)

Help (reserved for help functions)

Reset errors (shown errors will be set to zero)

Save measurement or directly during the measurement by pressing the **SEL** key. It opens up a Window where the file name can be entered as a name / number. After confirming with **SEL** the measurement is stored on the internal memory, and can be edited using the supplied KE Manager software.

G993.2 VDSL2 (Vendor)			
VTU-R (Annex B/J)			
Line Values - Bands			
1 Line	2 Data	3 VoIP	4 IPTV
SNR Margin 0	N/A	10.8	dB
SNR Margin 1	14.3	10.8	dB
SNR Margin 2	14.1	9.1	dB
SNR Margin 3	14.2	N/A	dB
SNR Margin 4	N/A	0	dB
Line Attenuation 0	0.0	0.1	dB
Line Attenuation 1	0.0	1.0	dB
Line Attenuation 2			

More Views Tests

F2 Views (Line Values, Bands, Vectoring, ...)

- **Line Values** (see page 11)
- **PPP Status**
- **Bands** (Displays individual bands for SNR Margin, Line Attenuation, Signal attenuation and TX Power, see page 11)
- **Vectoring** (Vectoring status, VCE MAC address, possible errors)
- **SNR/BAT/Hlog/QLN:** Graphs for Bits per tone, SNR per tone, Hlog and QLN can be called up here (Downstream blue, Upstream green)
This information is helpful to detect sources of interference that affect the signal to noise ratio.
By pressing the **◀▶** keys, the yellow pointer moves and displays below the graph the numeric value

F3 Test

- **Data Tests, VoIP- and IPTV-Tests**

Saving Measurements

You can save the data during the measurement by pressing the **SEL** button. A window opens where you can enter the memory as a name or number. After confirmation with **SEL**, the measurement is stored in the internal memory.

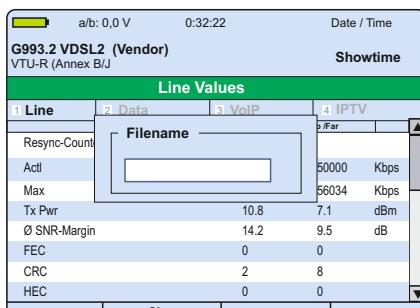
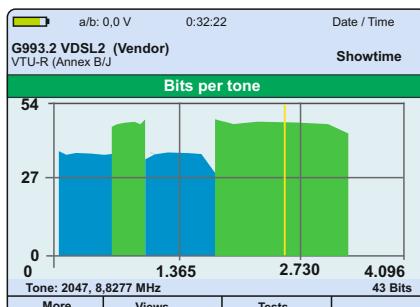
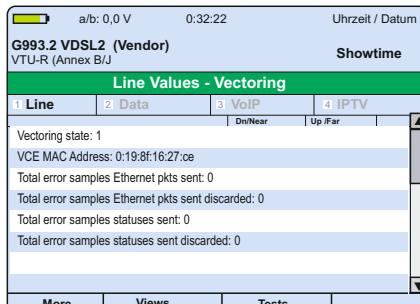
After entering and confirming by selecting the character, this measurement is saved with the name or number you entered. Very useful is a specification, for example with Customers name or telephone number. The limitation is given only by the internal memory (2 GB). However, you should ensure that the stored data is regularly downloaded and deleted. The deletion is easily possible with the supplied KE-Manager.

QR code generation

When you press the "7" key a QR code is calculated from a portion of the displayed data. This is then displayed on the screen and can be read with appropriate readers.

Profiles

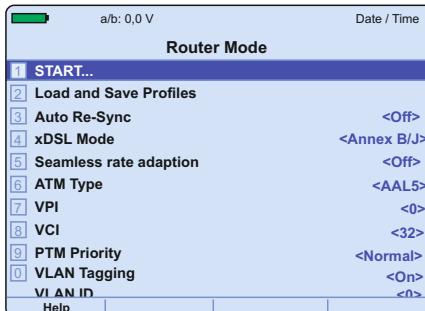
All parameters can also be created in the profiles menu from the KE-Manager. The profiles are then called to load and save profiles using the menu item. The loaded data can always be revised as described previously or changed. The change is only until they leave the test is valid if it is not saved before.



Router Mode

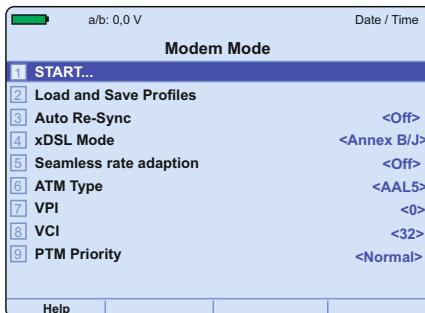
Connection of the KE3600 to the xDSL port and to the PC. Replaces the modem and the router. See the *Menu Structure* for possible settings.

In Ping mode, the KE3600, after the Ping test was successfully performed used as a router. This means that via the Ethernet interface, Internet access can be performed.



Modem Mode (Bridge Modus)

Connection of the KE3600 to the xDSL port and to the PC. Replaces the modem. See the *Menu Structure* for possible settings. This mode is intended as a replacement modem mode. The Ethernet interface is connected by smooth here (bridge or through mode), and is now the DSL port on the terminal. Now the KE3600 can be employed as a full modem, both ADSL and VDSL in mode can be employed. This makes it possible to draw conclusion errors. Save the measurement with SEL Exit with ESC. The Ethernet interface is transparently switched to have the modem functions.



Terminal Mode <Ethernet>, <SFP>

Connection to the Ethernet interface of a modem / router or a hub / switch. See the *Menu Structure* for possible settings for ping, trace route, HTTP download, FTP download and FTP upload

Profile

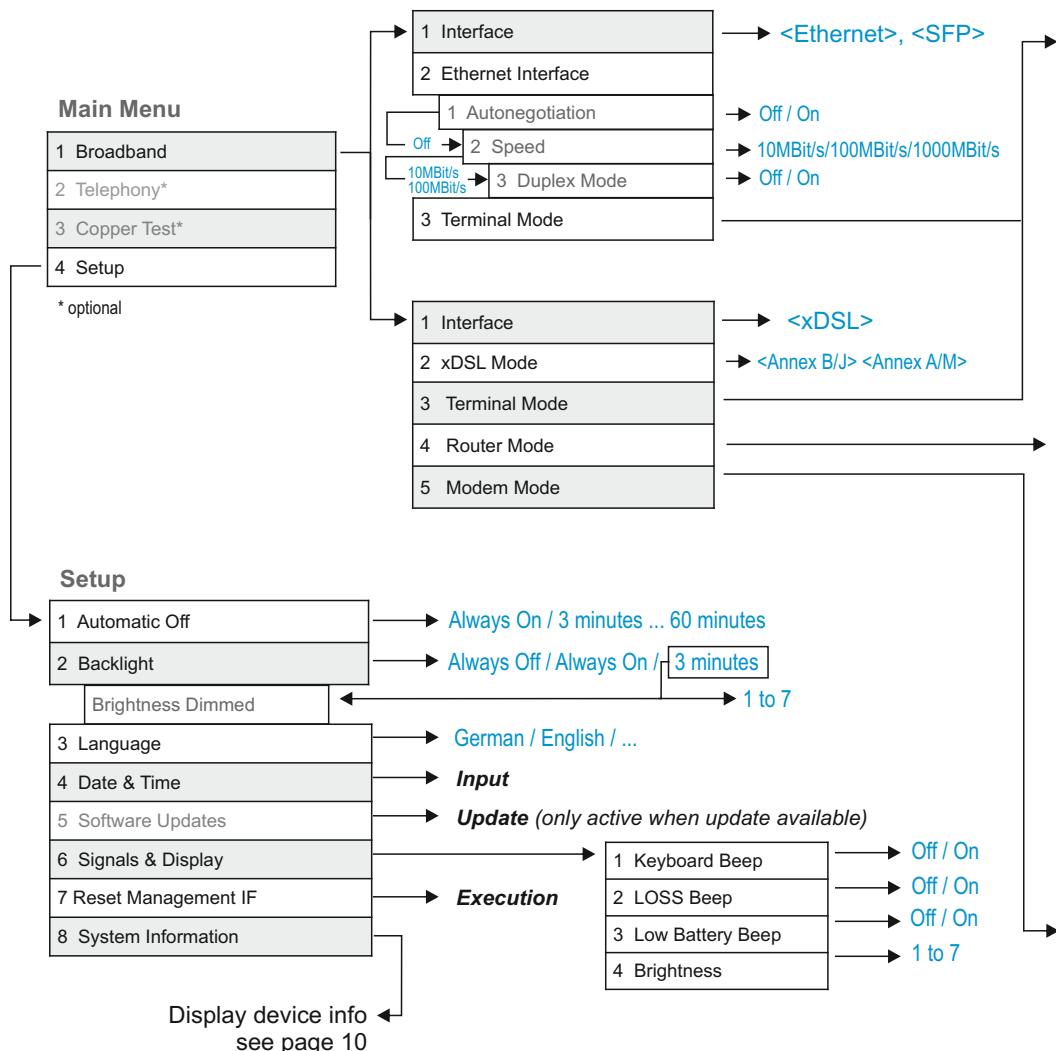
All parameters can also be created in the profiles of the KE Manager. The profiles are then invoked to load and save profiles using the menu item. The loaded data can always be revised or amended. The change is only until they leave the test is valid if not previously stored.

Data Test (Description available soon)

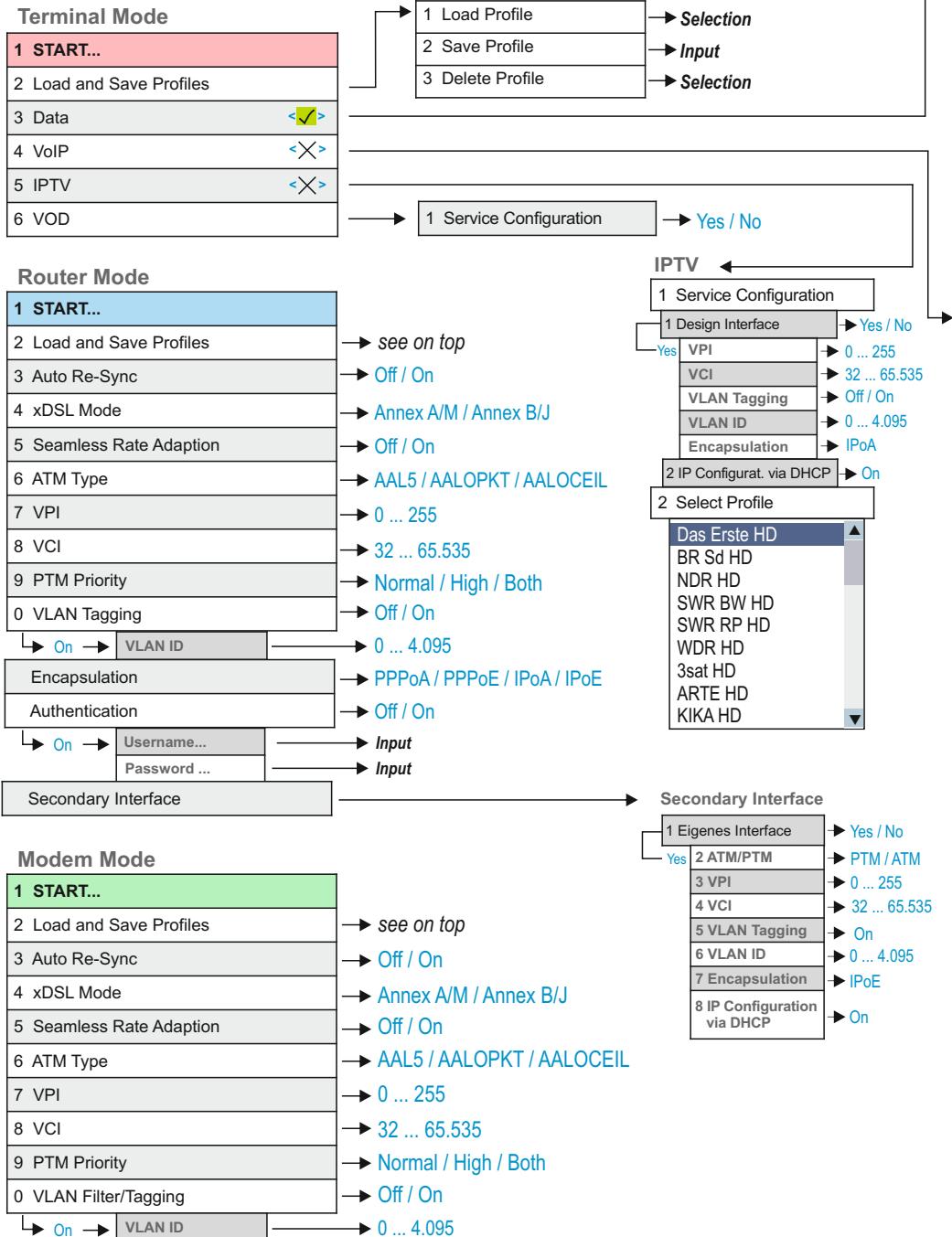
Data Test (Description available soon)

Menu Structure

Select Terminal:



Some of the interfaces and functions are shown in the menu structure but have no function because they are not contained in the service package chosen.



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Data

1 Dial-in a. Modem Conf.
2 BERT
3 Ping <✓>
4 Traceroute <✓>
5 HTTP Download <✗>
6 FTP Download <✗>
7 FTP Upload <✗>
8 Update Download <✗>

VoIP

1 VoIP Parameters <✓>
2 Jitter Buffer → 1...960 ms
3 JitterThreshold → 1...960 ms
4 MOS Threshold → 0,0...5,0
5 Session Expiration → 0...6400 s
6 Auto Accept Calls → Off / On
7 Silence detection → Off / On
8 Echo → Off / On

VoIP Parameter

1 Authentication → Input
2 Password → Input
3 Caller ID → Input
4 Domain → Input
5 User Agent → Input
6 UDP/RTP Port → 1...65.535
7 UDP/RTP Port Range → 1...65.535
8 Stun Server → Off / On → On → Stun Server → Input
9 Registrar → Off / On → On → Registrar → Input
0 Proxy → Off / On → On → Proxi Address → Input

1 Auto Re-Sync	→ Off / On
3 Seamless Rate Adaption	→ Off / On
4 ATM Type	→ AAL5 / AALOPKT / AALOCEIL
5 Encapsulation	→ PPPoA / PPPoE / IPoA / IPoE
6 VPI	→ 0 ... 255
7 VCI	→ 32 ... 65.535
8 VLAN Tagging	→ Off / On → On → VLAN ID → 0 ... 4.095
9 Authentication	→ Off / On → On → Username... → Input → Password... → Input

1 Destination Address...*	→ 1 IP Address → Input → 2 Hostname → Input
2 Packet Length	→ 56 ... 2.048 Bytes
3 Packet Number	→ 0 ... 20 / unlimited
1 Destination Address...*	→ see above
2 Number of Hops	→ 1 ... 100
3 Timeout	→ None / 0 ... 120 s
1 URL	→ Input
2 Username...	→ Input
3 Password...	→ Input
4 Several Downloads	→ Parallel / Serial
5 Number of Downloads	→ 1 ... unlimited
1 URL	→ Input
2 Username...	→ Input
3 Password...	→ Input
4 Simultaneous Downloads	→ 0 ... 10
1 Server... (Dest. Address...*)	→ Input
2 Path	→ Input
3 Filename	→ Input
4 Data Source	→ SD-Card / Generated
→ Generated → 5 Filesize	→ 1 MB ... 1 GB
5 Username...	→ Input
6 Password...	→ Input
7 Simultaneous Uploads	→ 0 ... 10
1 URL	→ Input
2 Username...	→ Input
3 Password...	→ Input

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KE-Manager

The KE-Manager is a flexible tool to manage the KE3600 and download the data of the measurements. The KE-Manager is like the KE3600 very clearly designed and largely intuitive and comes with the included CD-ROM (or Kurth Electronic Homepage).

Setup of the PC

When installing the KE-Manager, the user must have administrative rights and possibly turn off the virus protection and the Windows Firewall.

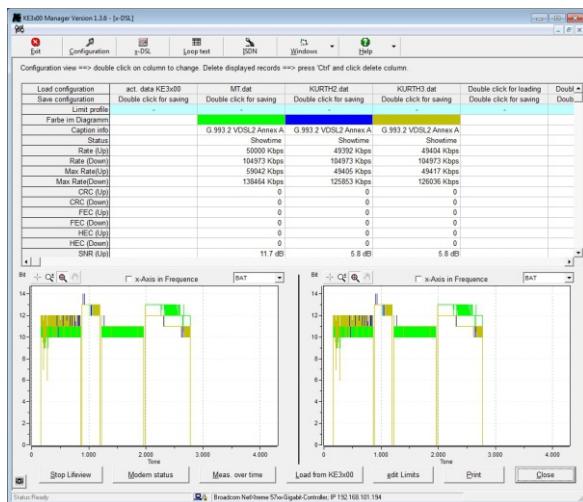
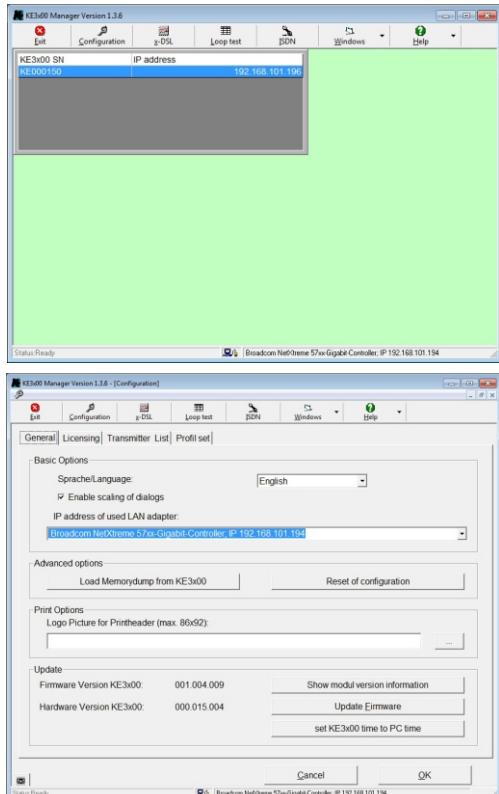
Connection to the PC

The KE3600 can be connected directly via the device management port to the Ethernet port of the PC. Optimally, however, is the use of an available Ethernet interface on the same network, so the PC can remain in the network. It will automatically determine an IP address (UPnP address) and the KE3600 appears with the IP address and serial number in the select list of the KE-Manager.

Opening the KE-Manager

Click on the KE-Manager icon on your PC desktop. The KE-Manager starts and displays by various colors on the connection status to the PC. If there are problems getting a connection to the device you can use the option **Reset Management IF** in the Setup menu.

The green coloured background indicates the established connection. You are now ready to control KE3600 through the KE-Manager.



Configuration

Settings for several basic options and licensing, transmitter list (IPTV profiles) and the profil set can be executed here.

x-DSL

Gives close information to the active and stored tests.

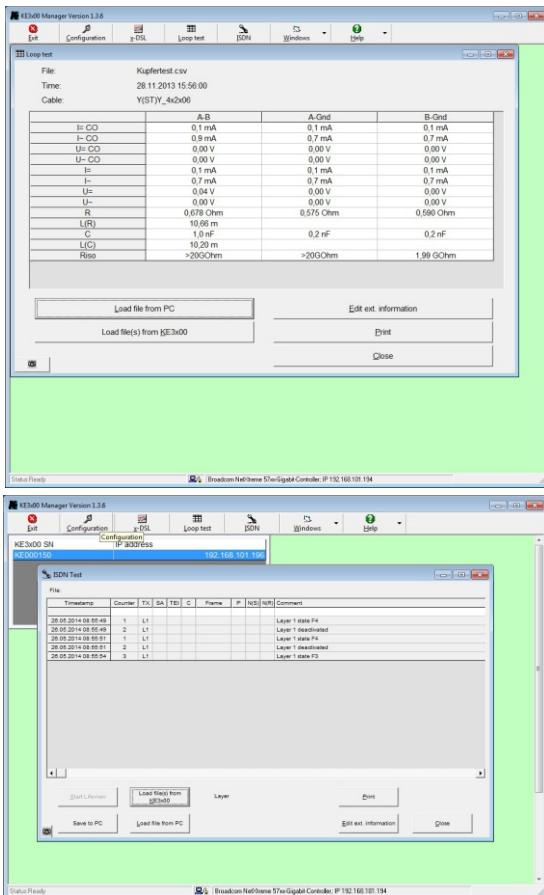
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Loop Test

Here you can consider the stored loop analysis tests from KECT3 Cooper Interface

ISDN

Here you can consider the ISDN tests



Changing the LiPo Battery

The decreasing battery charge is clearly identifiable on the display provided that the initial adjustment was done during first start-up.

The battery can be charged, the charge control display red LED goes off, but the battery display still will not show full. As long as the displayed capacity does not go under 50%, the KE3500 can be safely used; it only has to be charged more frequently. If the display goes below 50%, you need to change the battery. You can either send in the device and the battery will be changed for a fee, or you can order a replacement battery.

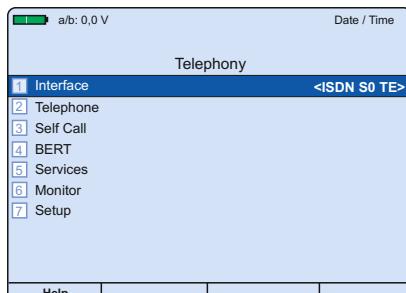
Changing the battery

First remove the two lower compartment screws. Pull the bottom downward. The battery is in a plastic holder in the bottom part and it is plugged into the board with a plug protected against polarity reversal. After the housing is opened, this must be pulled out. Insert the new battery and securely fasten the holder. Plug the connection cable into the board and screw on the housing. Make sure to only hand-tighten the housing screws.

ISDN and Analog Interface (optional)

The KE3600, with its optional ISDN interface, provides all the functions needed for the installation and maintenance of S0, Uk0 and analog connections. It checks S0 interfaces in TE, NT and leased-line operation including Uk0 and analog interfaces. The handy tester provides voltage measurement and a bit error rate test (BERT) in addition to automatic connection, service and service feature tests.

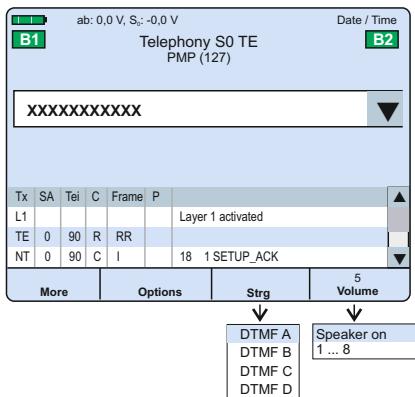
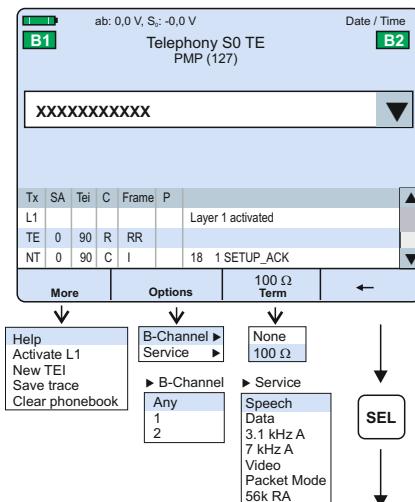
Under Interface, you can choose between the connection types of Analog, ISDN S0 TE, ISDN S0 NT and ISDN Uk0.



Telephone: ISDN S0 TE

Enter a telephone number in the main field and press **SEL** to initiate a call. The ISDN or analog voltage is displayed at the top center of the screen.

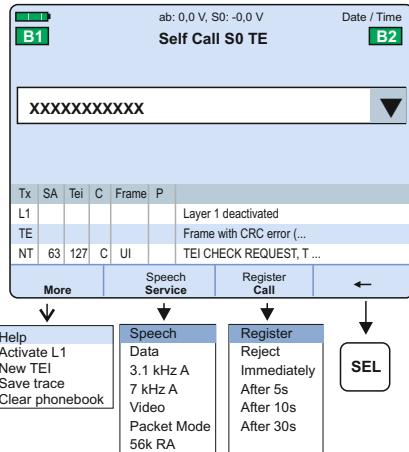
You get detailed information about the L1 status, TE and NT and you can set the volume from 1 (soft) to 7 (loud) using **F4**. Under **F3 Ctrl.**, you can select the DTMF version A-D while **F2** let you select the B-Channel and the different Services. With **F1 More** you can select **Save trace** to store the measurement for further use to the KE-Manager.



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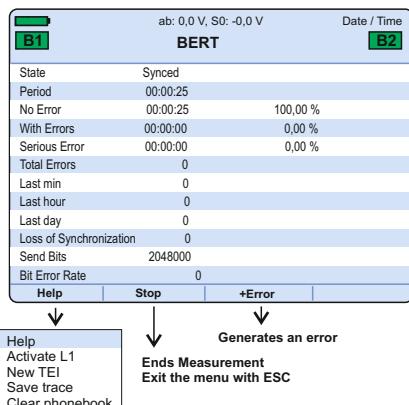
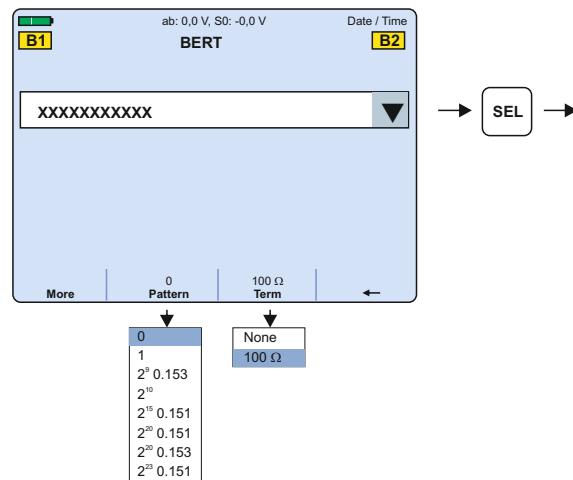
Self Call

Under the Self-call menu item (automated callback), you also get information on the L1, TE and NT status; you may select the time until the call is accepted using F3, and the service options using F2.



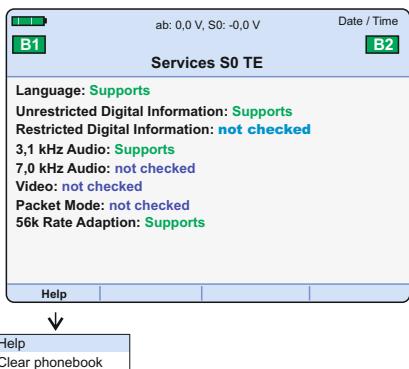
BERT

BERT (Bits Error Rate Test) implements a self-call. So that an incoming BERT connection can be accepted independent of a second serial interface and an AT interpreter, an independent process is running in the background. This process checks all incoming data connections to determine whether the called number (CdPN) corresponds to the set BERT MSN. If this is the case and if automatic BERT call acceptance is active, the process accepts the incoming call and outputs (depending on the verbosity setting) a BERT Connect message. Then, the incoming data stream is compared to the set test pattern. Differences are counted as bit errors.



Service Request

Under the Service Request menu item, the important service features and whether they are supported by the dialed connection are clearly displayed.

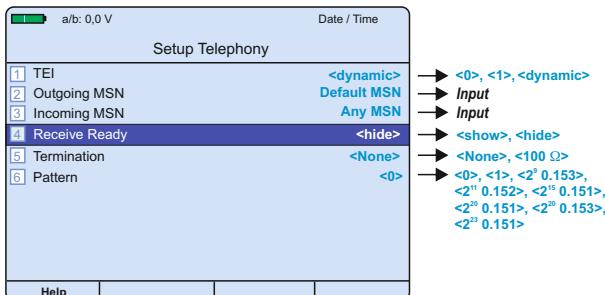


Monitor (D-Channel Monitor)

Display the D-Channel activities when establishing a connection, during the connection (3-way conference, forwarding, ...) and on connection release. The log can be saved to the internal storage. To do this, press F1 to select the **Save trace** option.

Setup (ISDN Telephony)

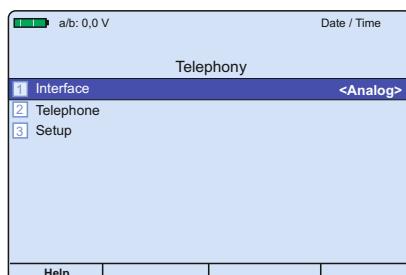
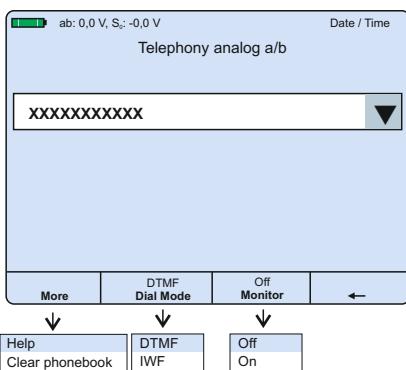
Under this menu item, you will find the basic setups for the telephony tests that are possible depending on the selected interface.



Analog

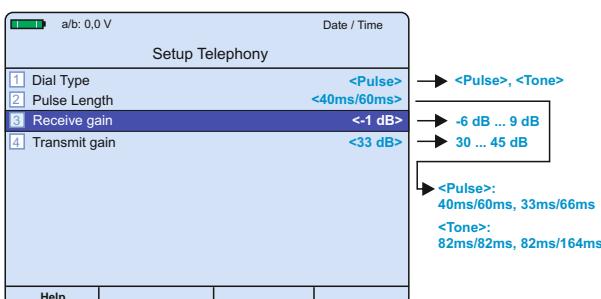
Telephone

Enter a telephone number in the main field and press **SEL** to initiate a call. The analog voltage is displayed at the top of the screen. F3 **Monitor** provides you with a high-impedance call-monitoring facility without affecting the interface. Using the headset, a conversation can be monitored without the KE3600 transmitting on this interface or affecting it in any way. Under F2 **Dial Mode**, either the DTMF or IWF dialing mode can be set.



Setup (Telephony analog)

Under this menu item, you will find the basic setups for the telephony test that are possible depending on the selected interface.



Copper testing with KECT3 (optional)

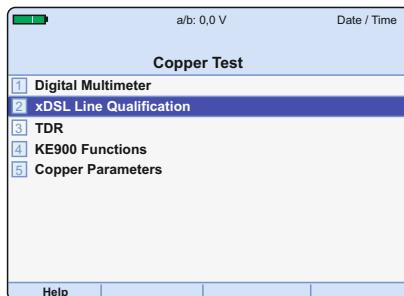
The KECT3 interface for copper testing is a simple and intuitive solution for troubleshooting and Copperprequalification.

Operating

The commercially available multiple xDSL systems (digital subscriber line system) have the task to offer fast data transfer for high-speed Internet access, for remote LAN access and interactive media applications, etc. The "x" in the name of xDSL signals the different types of DSL technologies, which use conventional copper cables for fast data transfer. xDSL modems use higher frequencies, and can therefore achieve a higher data transfer speed, even though they use the same wire pairs as for the analogue telephony (POTS) and ISDN. The main advantage of xDSL is the omission of the installation cost of new cable. The approved maximum line length and the maximum sustained data transfer rate depends on the characteristics of the cable. Before installing a xDSL modem should be checked whether the properties and quality of the selected pair of wires correspond to the demands of the chosen system.

KECT3 – Functions

- Troubleshooting with digital multimeter functions
- Measuring all parameters required for qualification of the subscriber line from ADSL to VDSL2
- Automatic test programs provide detailed measurement results
- Parameter editor to change the system and cable parameters
- PC interface for data transfer to a PC
- Fault location with optional TDR
- Remote switch with optional Remote-Unit KE900



Connections and test leads

Jack LINE1 (L1)

This connector is the main connector.

Jack LINE2 (L2)

This connector is used for connecting the second pair of wires, e.g. for NEXT measurements, input only.

Test leads

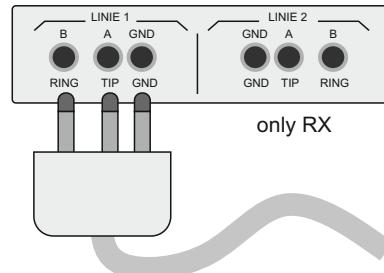
For connection to the measured wire pair two two-wire shielded test leads are used.

Both have on the device side a three-pin TF-plug with 4 mm in diameter and line sided tricolor banana plugs with 4 mm diameter with compression sleeves. The color coding of the banana plugs are:

- Wire A red
- Wire B green
- Ground GND black

The connection of the leads appended to the selected mode.

When inserting the test leads, please make sure that the three-pin plug is inserted correctly. The 'B' lead is more widely spaced than 'A' or GND to prevent the plug from being inserted incorrectly.



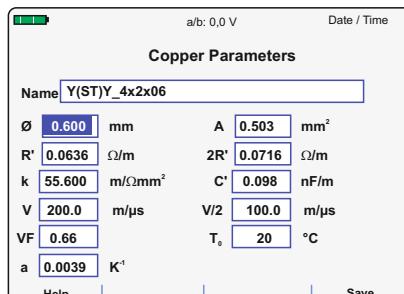
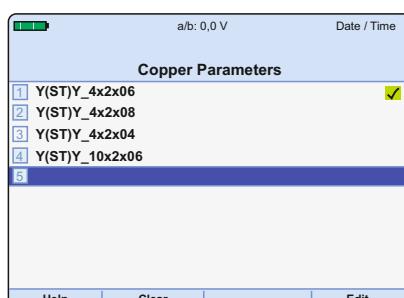
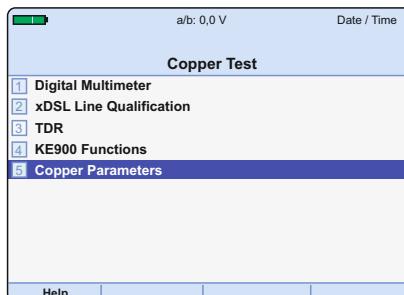
Operating

Starting & general rules

Turn on the measuring instrument with the hardware module KECT3. On the opening screen the device name, the logo of the manufacturer Kurth Electronic, the firmware version, the UDMT version, the options installed, and the Hw-Id. are displayed. Shortly after the self-test the main menu appears. Before starting the measurements the user can make basic device settings in the setup. In most cases, the measurements and settings can be selected using the menu-driven user interface. For selecting the vertical control buttons are used, then it is confirmed with the **SEL** button. Various cables and test parameters are selected by pressing the function keys **F1 - F4**. In order to facilitate and speed up the operation, some measuring modes can be selected directly using the function keys. To move to the previous screen, press the **ESC** key. The measurements begin immediately after selecting the parameters.

Copper Parameters

You can easily create new copper parameters as base for measurements within the menu item *Copper Parameters*. As default, the common cable Y_4x2x06 is deposited. Intended for the measurement, the cable satisfies other parameters, by the input of only two values, such as the cable diameter and the resistance per meter R, the remaining copper cable parameters are calculated from KECT3. Only the cable manufacturer specified VF-value needs to be entered. Press **F4 Edit** and jump with the left-right control keys through the values. The value is then selected with **SEL** and changed in the context menu on the numeric keypad. Make sure that the new settings are saved under a changed name as the default. Jump to Name and confirm with **SEL** - then opens the context menu to change the name - after changing the name go back to *Line Parameters* again with **SEL** and press **F4 Save**. The new name now appears under *Cable Types* in the selection menu. With **SEL** the desired value is selected, which then is marked with a hook at the right margin.



Digital Multimeter

The large number of measurements allows a detailed error analysis and a complete overview of the electrical status of the line under test.

Voltage

The purpose of this study is to measure the direct (DC) and alternating current (AC) external voltages that may be present on the cable.

Measurement method

Connect the wires to be measured and the shield of the cable. Select Voltage and press SEL. The measurement starts automatically thereafter. Up in the display the specification of the used copper parameter is shown. The results of AC and DC voltage are displayed in volts. Under F2 Probe you may select from differential voltage measurements between the two wires of a pair (A-B) and the common mode voltage, as measured between a pair of conductors and the ground (A-GND, B-GND).

Insulation

In this setting KECT3 measures the insulation resistance between the two wires running a pair of wires and the individual wires and ground.

Measurement method

Connect the wires to be measured and the shield of the cable. Select Insulation and press SEL. The measurement starts automatically thereafter. Up in the display the specification of the used copper parameter is shown.

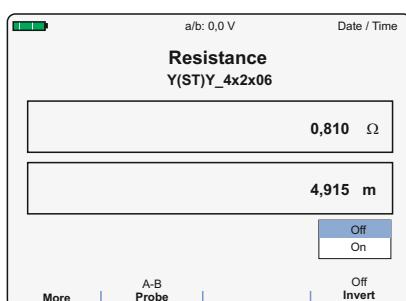
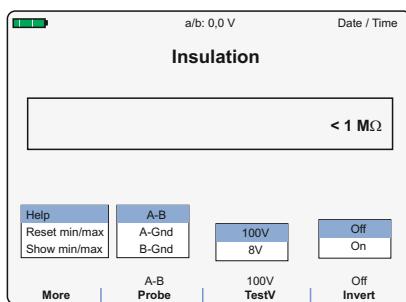
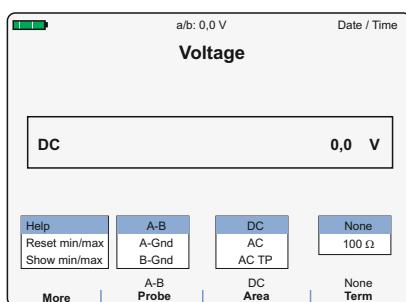
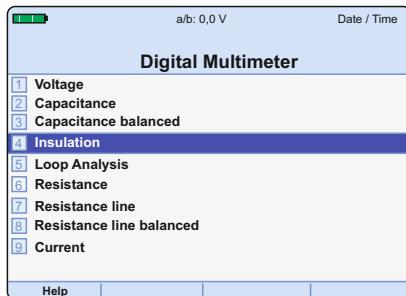
The results are displayed in ohm. Under F2 Probe you may select from differential voltage measurements between the two wires of a pair (A-B) and the common mode insulation resistance, as measured between a pair of conductors and the ground (A-GND, B-GND). With F3 Test V, the test voltage can be changed from 100 V to 30 V.

Resistance

The purpose of this measurement is to determine the loop resistance.

Measurement method

Connect the wires to be measured and the shield of the cable. The far end of the measuring wire pair must be shorted, you have to work with a second Person or with the KE900 Remote-Unit.



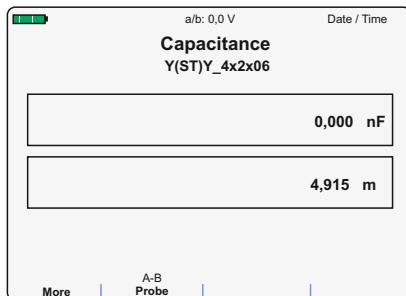
Select **Resistance** and press **SEL**. The measurement starts automatically thereafter. Up in the display the specification of the used copper parameter is shown. The measured result is shown in ohms and the cable length calculated from the loop resistance is displayed in meters. Under **F2 Probe** the measuring points are chosen, such as two wires of a wire pair (A-B) and between a pair of conductors and the ground (A-GND, B-GND). The **Sense** input is used for mismeasurements from the connection on a third wire (Murray method).

Capacitance

The purpose of measurement is to determine the operating capacity of a line.

Measurement method

Connect the wires to be measured and the shield of the cable. The far end of the measuring wire pair must be open! Select **Capacitance** and press **SEL**. The measurement is started automatically thereafter. Up in the display the specification of the used copper parameter is shown. Capacitance is indicated and the cable length calculated from the capacitance is displayed in meters. Under **F2 Probe** the measuring points are selected, the two wires of a wire pair (A-B).

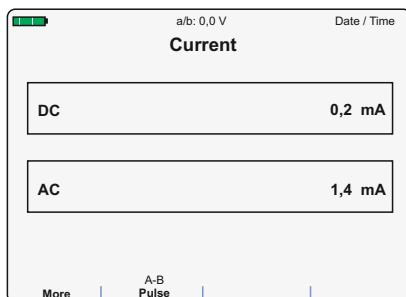


Current

KECT3 measures in this setting the direct (DC) and alternating current (AC)..

Measurement method

Connect the wires to be measured and the shield of the cable. Select **Current** and press **SEL**. The measurement starts automatically thereafter. Up in the display the specification of the used copper parameter is shown. The results of the measurement of the AC and DC current is shown in Amperes. Under **F2 Probe** the measuring points are chosen, such as with two wires of a wire pair (A-B) and between a pair of conductors and the ground (A-GND, B-GND).



Loop Analysis

The loop analysis permits automatic measuring sequences which can be selected by the user.

Configuration

The user configures the loop analysis by activating or deactivating entries in a table by pressing **SEL** that describes a given sequence containing all the measurements and options.

1. Command 'Port 1 connected to Port 2' to KE900 (if not activated, the instruction '**Connect CO**' appears in the dialog window)*
2. Current measurement CO(A-B, A-GND, B-GND, AC & DC in each case)
3. Voltage measurement CO (A-B, A-GND, B-GND, AC & DC in each case)
4. Command 'All ports open' to KE900 (if not activated, the instruction '**Disconnect CO**' appears in the dialog window)*
5. Current measurement (A-B, A-GND, B-GND, AC & DC in each case)
6. Voltage measurement (A-B, A-GND, B-GND AC & DC in each case)
7. Command 'Port 1 short-circuited' to KE900 (if not activated, the instruction 'Close loop' appears in the dialog window)*
8. Resistance measurement (only A-B)
9. Command 'All ports open' to KE900 (if not activated, the instruction 'Open loop' appears in the dialog window)*
10. Capacitance measurement (A-B, A-GND, B-GND)
11. Insulation resistance measurement (A-B, A-GND, B-GND)

*If a command to the KE900 is not activated, a dialog window appears at the corresponding location with the described message and an associated tone (three short beeps) when the loop analysis is performed. Exit the dialog by pressing **'ESC'** which reinitiates the measuring sequence, or you can press **'SEL'** to manually trigger the unactivated command to the KE900.

Measuring Procedure

You can leave this page by pressing **ESC** which terminates the loop analysis. Press **F2** (Load) to load a previously saved configuration, and press **F3** (Save) to save the current configuration. Press **F4** (Start) to start the loop analysis. When the loop analysis starts, the results page is displayed containing a results table of the measurements which are filled in as the loop analysis progresses.

Dialog windows generated by the configured process may appear over the results table. These are confirmed by the user by pressing **ESC** or **SEL**.

After the configured loop analysis is finished, you can restart it by pressing **F3** (Start), or press **F4** (Save) to open a dialog for saving the measurements for further processing in the KE-Manager.

Press **F2** (Conf.) to return to the configuration page.

Press **ESC** to go from the results page to the Digital Multimeter menu.

Loop Analysis Configuration	
1 Port 1+2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2 Current	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3 Voltage	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4 All Ports Open	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5 Current	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6 Voltage	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7 Port 1 shorted	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8 Resistance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9 All Ports Open	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
0 Capacitance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Insulation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Loop Analysis Result		
	A-B	A-Gnd
I= CO	0,0 mA	0,0 mA
I- CO	1,1 mA	0,9 mA
U= CO	 Close Loop	00 V
U- CO		046 V
I=	Sel (KE900)	mA
I-		mA
U=	0,000 V	0,000 V
U-	0,045 V	0,045 V

Loop Analysis Result		
	A-B	A-Gnd
I= CO	0,0 mA	0,0 mA
I- CO	1,1 mA	0,9 mA
U= CO	0,000 V	0,000 V
U- CO	Save Result	0,046 V
I=		0 mA
I-		0 mA
U=	0,000 V	0,000 V
U-	0,045 V	0,045 V

xDSL Line Qualification

Measurements for physical prequalification of the copper pair for suitability to use xDSL services.

Settings

In Settings you can find predefined sets of parameters to be qualified for the DSL line. ADSL 1, 2 and 2 + or VDSL2 with different frequency ranges for the most common xDSL settings are stored. The manual entry also allows an individual value set. The start frequency and end frequency is defined and then stored. SEL selects the desired parameter. This is then marked with a hook at the right edge of the screen and is the basis for the following measurements for line qualification.

No higher service setting (frequency) is required to perform the measurements! Disturbances in the high-frequency range have no influence on the low-frequency range.

Impedance

In this mode, the line impedance can be measured.

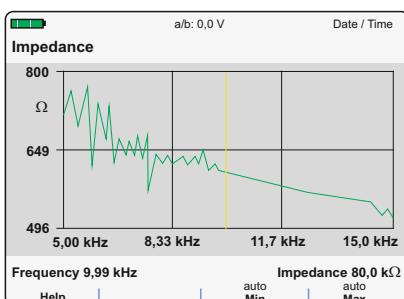
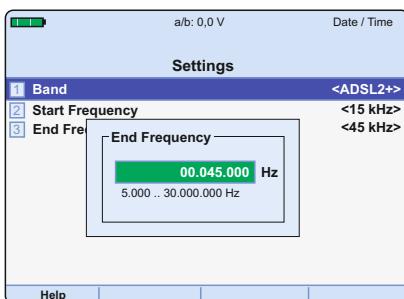
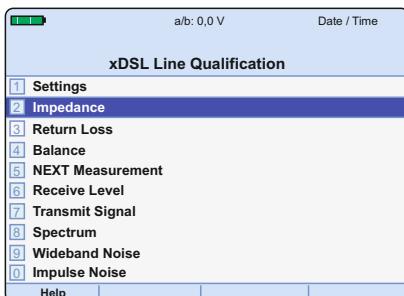
For example, if the input impedance of a device does not match the impedance of the line, there will be reflections, which reduces the power transmission and causes a resonance phenomena, and thus may lead to a non-linear frequency response.

Measurement method

Select the mode Impedance and press F3 SEL. The signal can be transmitted with different impedance values, these can be selected under F2 Impedance. Min, the lower value and with Max the upper value of the graphic are pre-defined.

Measurement results

The measurement results are available both graphically and numerically and are displayed simultaneously. Indicated is the frequency in Hz and the impedance in ohm.



Return Loss

The line attenuation is the reduction of the energy of a signal transmitted over a transmission path and thus is a key value for DSL. The longer the cable, the lower the achievable data rates of DSL technologies.

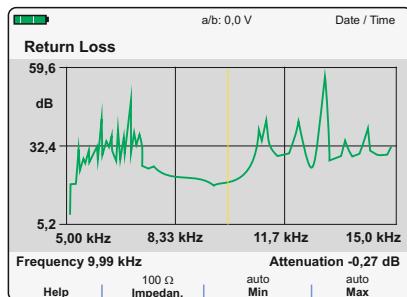
Measurement method

Select the mode Attenuation and press SEL. The signal can be transmitted with different impedance values, these can be selected under F2 Impedance. Min, the lower value and with Max the upper value of the graphic are pre-defined.

Measurement results

The measurement results are both graphic and numeric available and are displayed simultaneously. Indicated is the frequency in Hz and the attenuation in dB.

Transmit Signal will show you how to generate test signals for attenuation measurements.



Balance

Longitudinal currents can cause noise on the line, if the symmetry is imperfect. The line balance is the ability of the line to suppress the effect of longitudinal currents.

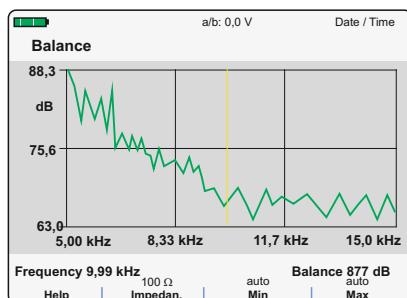
The KECT3 performs the measurement with the help of the ITU-T recommended test circuit.

Measurement method

Select the mode Balance and press SEL. The signal can be transmitted with different impedance values, these can be selected under F2 Impedance. Min, the lower value and with Max the upper value of the graphic are pre-defined.

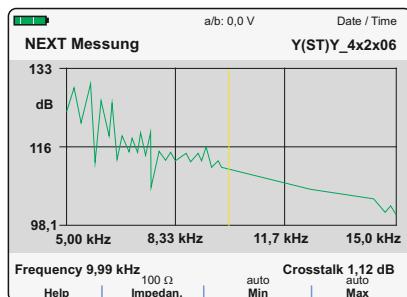
Measurement results

The measurement results are available both graphically and numerically and are displayed simultaneously. Indicated is the frequency in Hz and the attenuation in dB.



NEXT Measurement

The transmission quality and thus the transmission capacity of a DSL system is strongly affected by the near-end crosstalk (NEXT). The KECT3 sends a known signal on Line 1 and measures the received signal on line 2. If the NEXT value is out of range, there may be a wire twist problem (split pairs). These can be located with the TDR. (See TDR measurements)



Measurement method

Select the mode NEXT Measurement and press SEL. The signal can be transmitted with different impedance values, these can be selected under F2 Impedance. Min, the lower value and with Max the upper value of the graphic are pre-defined.

Connect the primary pair only to line 1 (Tx). Connect the second pair to be tested on line 2 (Rx).

Measurement results

The measurement results are available both graphically and numerically and are displayed simultaneously. Indicated is the frequency in Hz and crosstalk in dB.

Receive Level

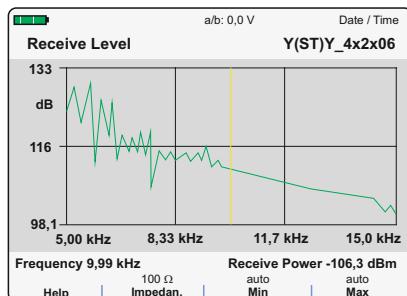
In this mode the KECT3 can be used as a selective level meter in conjunction with **Transmit Signal**. The measuring range is adjusted as described in **Settings**.

Measurement method

Select the mode Receive Level and press SEL. The signal can be transmitted with different impedance values, these can be selected under F2 Impedance. Min, the lower value and with Max the upper value of the graphic are pre-defined

Measurement results

The measurement results are available both graphically and numerically and are displayed simultaneously. Indicated is the frequency in Hz and the receive power in dBm.



Transmit Signal

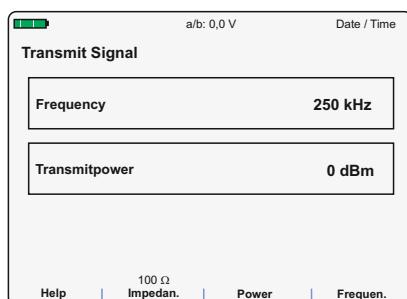
In this mode KECT3 generates signals for the Attenuation measurement. Further details of the Attenuation measurement, see in **Attenuation**.

Settings

Select the operating mode Transmit Signal and press SEL. Up in the display the specification of the used copper parameter is shown. The signal can be transmitted with different impedances, these are selectable under F2 Impedance.

Under F3 Power, the transmission power can be increased in increments of 1 dBm or reduced.

Under F4 Frequency the start frequency as a function of the selected DSL version (shown in section 3.1) can still be customized.



Spectrum

With the Spectrum analysis, it is possible to examine the spectral noise across the DSL frequency range.

Measurement method

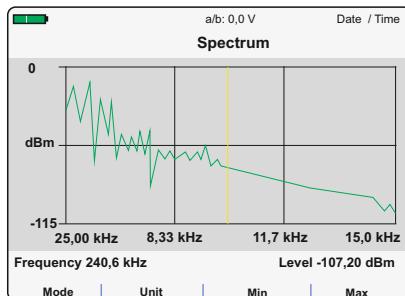
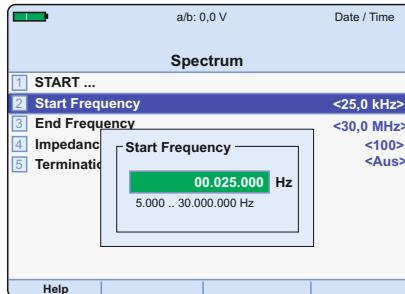
Select the operating mode Spectrum and press SEL.

In the following screen, the Start Frequency, End Frequency, Impedance and whether the Termination "On" or "Off" is set. Pressing the 1 key of the numeric keypad starts the measurement process.

Under F1 Mode, the waveform between Peak (maximum), Mean (Average measurement) and Normal (Peak + Mean) can be switched. Min, the lower value and with Max the upper value of the graphic are pre-defined.

Measurement result

The measurement results are available both graphically and numerically and are displayed simultaneously. Given the frequency in Hz and the level in dBm or dBm / Hz, whichever was selected from F2 Unit.



Wideband Noise

The transmitted signal of the subscriber lines is disturbed by noise which reduces the data transmission capacity. Contributors to noise include balance faults, crosstalk and poor connections to the switched telephone lines. The noise level is shown as single value, in dBm.

Measurement method

Select the mode Wideband Noise and press SEL. The signal can be transmitted with different impedance values, these can be selected with F2 Impedance. With F3 Filter the different DSL filters are adjustable.

Measurement results

The measurement result is displayed numerically in dBm.



Impulse Noise

Impulse Noise is a variable noise, that is caused by external electromagnetic sources near the DSL line

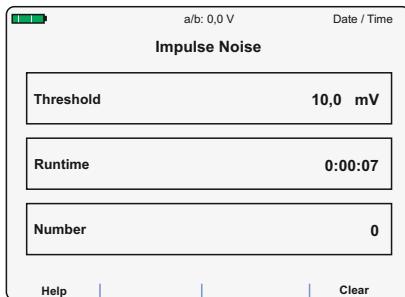
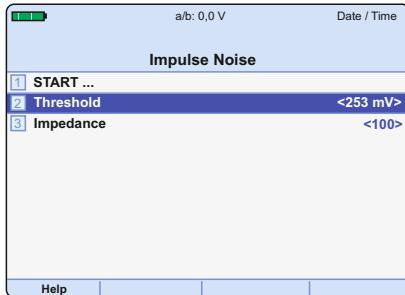
Examples of impulse noise sources

The switching on or off of a refrigerator motor or elevator motor (telephone lines are often deployed in the elevator shaft) or other power pulses near telephone lines.

The noise pulse is a voltage whose value is at least 12 dB higher than the power level of the background noise. The KECT3 works as noise-pulse counter. A pulse is counted, when the voltage of the received pulse has exceeded the preset threshold value for more than 500 µs.

Measurement method + result

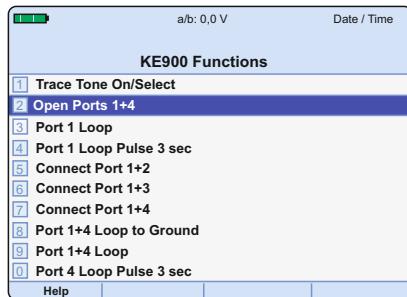
Select the mode Impulse Noise and press SEL. Set Threshold and Impedance. By pressing 1 key the numeric keypad the measurement process starts. Displayed is the threshold in Volt, the duration in seconds and the number of measured noise pulses.



KE900 Functions

With the CopperTest-Interface you have the ability to control the optional KE900 Remote Unit. The use of the KE900 Remote Unit for the remote-controlled line measurement allows you to:

- One-man testing, no assistance required
- Used in areas such as underground distribution, cable shafts, etc. without communication access
- Subscribers' line stay in service until testing starts and will be restored after
- Remote controlled switching functions such as cut through, loop, ground and open
- Measurement up to 30 MHz with the use of the device at the far end
- Ideal for testing dual pairs in preparation for channel bonding



Possible remote unit modes:

Trace Tone On>Select

The trace tone send from KE900 and the port can be changed.

Open Ports 1+4

Opens Port 1 and stops tracing tone. Used for measurements like open circuit noise, capacitance, leakage resistance

Port 1 Loop

Port 1 pair shorted. Used to measure the loop resistance.

Port 1 Loop Pulse 3 sec

Port 1 loop pulse for 3 seconds. With it you can clearly detect the far end with a TDR even the loop is correct terminated on the CO side.

Connect Port 1+2

Port 1 connected to Port 2. Used to restore the subscriber's line before and after testing.

Connect Port 1+3

Port 1 connected to Port 3. A test set on Port 3 can then be used for end-to-end measurements like attenuation in conjunction with a additional signal transmitter on the far end.

Connect Port 1+4

Port 1 connected with Port 4.

Port 1+4 Loop to Ground

Loop Port 1 and Port 4 and connected to ground e.g. for resistance symmetrical measurement.

Port 1+4 Loop

Port 1 and Port 4 loop.

Port 4 Loop Pulse 3 sec

Port 1 and Port 4 loop pulse for 3 seconds. With it you can clearly detect the far end with a TDR even the loop is correct terminated on the CO side.

Connect Port 2+4

Port 4 connected to Port 2. With it you can switch e.g. the exchange line on another pair of wires.

Connect Port 3+4

Port 4 connected to Port 3, Port 1 open.

Connect Port 1+2 and 3+4

Port 1 connected to Port 2 and Port 3 connected to Port 4. This configuration allows to measure two independent loops for influence to each other.

TDR (Time Domain Reflectometer) optional

TDR mode works on the pulse-echo method. A measuring pulse is transmitted through the cable. When the pulse reaches the end of the cable, or a fault of the cable, a certain part of the pulse energy is reflected back to the meter.

It measures the time required for the return of the pulse along the cable, and shows disturbances in the reflection. From that time, the distance is determined and displayed as a reflection curve. The shown reflection curve displays all changes in impedance along the cable. The amplitude of a reflection is determined by the size of the impedance change.

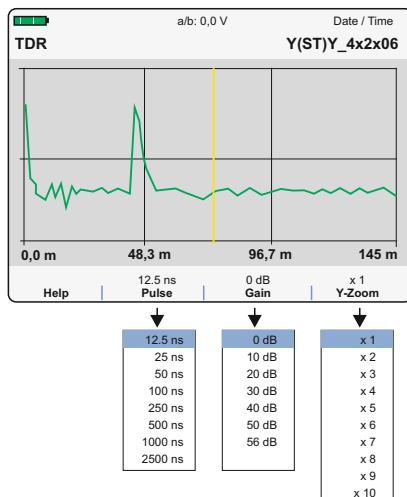
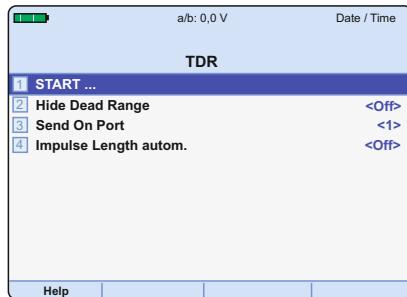
Finds cable faults such as short circuit, opens, bridge taps, bad splices, water penetration and other damage such as lightning strikes, crushed cable etc. which changes the impedance of the cable. The maximum cable length for testing telecommunication cables in this case is up to 50,000 feet, depending on the gauge.

Measurement method

Select the mode TDR and press SEL. In the following screen you can make settings and set the measuring port. Pressing the 1 key the numeric keypad starts the measurement process. The distance to the fault is displayed on the screen when the cursor is set to the beginning of the fault location reflected pulse. Under F2 Pulse, the duration of the probe pulse are set in ns. With Gain under F3, the pulse energy can be increased. Under F4 Y-Zoom, the illustrated reflection curve can be magnified up to 10 times.

When transmitting on L1 and measured on L2, opens, ground fault, etc. can be accurately located (crosstalk).

Press the **◀ / ▶** buttons to move the yellow pointer and to detect the exact distance to the cable fault.



VoIP (optional)

VoIP Parameter

1 Jitter Buffer	<60 ms>	→ 1 ... 960 ms
2 Jitter Threshold	<20 ms>	→ 1 ... 960 ms
3 MOS Threshold	<0,0>	→ 0 ... 5,0 ms
4 Session Expiration	<1,80 ks>	→ Off, <On>
5 Auto Accept Calls	<Off>	→ <Off>, <On>
6 Silence detection	<Off>	→ <Off>, <On>
7 Echo	<Off>	→ <Off>, <On>

Authentication

1 Passwort	xxxxxxxxxx	→ Input
2 Caller ID	xxxxxxxxxx	→ Input
3 Domain	tel.t-online.de	→ Input
4 User Agent		→ Input
5 UDP/RTP Port	<5.060>	→ 1 ... 65.353
6 UDP/RTP Port Range	<0>	→ 1 ... 65.353
7 Stun Server	<Off>	→ <Off>, <On>
8 Registrar	<Off>	→ <Off>, <On>
9 Proxy	<Off>	→ <Off>, <On>

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ATU-R (Annex B/J)**

VoIP (Log)

Line	Data	VolP	IPTV
Description			
Waiting for Network Interface... Connecting to SIP server Connected to SIP server			

Ping
Traceroute
Http Download
FTP Download
FTP Upload
VoIP Log
VoIP Statistics
VoIP Dial
IPTV Log
IPTV Statistics
IPTV Preview

VolP (Dial)

Line	Data	VolP	IPTV
Description			
XXXXXXXXXXXX			

abc → 123 Clr Del ←

SEL

VoIP (optional)

a/b: 0,0 V		0:32:22		Date / Time		
G992.5 ADSL2+ AnnexJ EU-60 (Infineon) ATU-R (Annex B/J)				Showtime		
VoIP (Log)						
1 Line	2 Data	3 VoIP	4 IPTV			
Description	RX	TX				
Bit rate	704	704	Kb/s			
Packets	1053	1055	packets			
Packet Loss	0	0	packets			
Jitter	0	2	μs			
Jitter min/max	0/0	2/3	μs			
Delay	40		ms			
Delay min/max	39/40		ms			
R-Value	92.5					
MOS	4.40					

More Views Tests Volume

↓ End Call with **ESC**

a/b: 0,0 V		0:32:22		Date / Time		
G992.5 ADSL2+ AnnexJ EU-60 (Infineon) ATU-R (Annex B/J)				Showtime		
VoIP (Log)						
1 Line	2 Data	3 VoIP	4 IPTV			
Description						
Waiting for Network Interface... Connecting to SIP server Connected to SIP server Call sip:XXXXXXXXXX@tel.t-online.de Connecting with sip:XXXXXXXXXX@tel.t-online.de Connected with sip:XXXXXXXXXX@tel.t-online.de Call with sip:XXXXXXXXXX@tel.t-online.de ended						

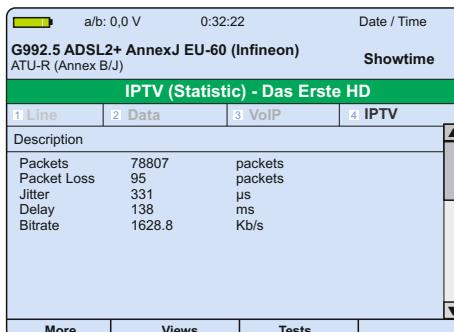
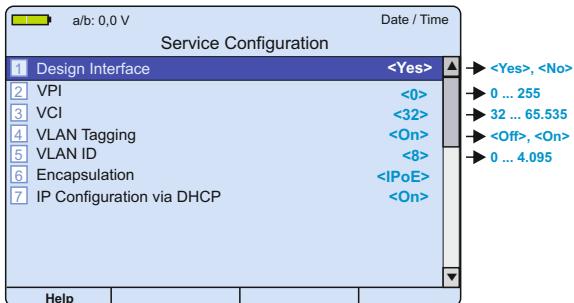
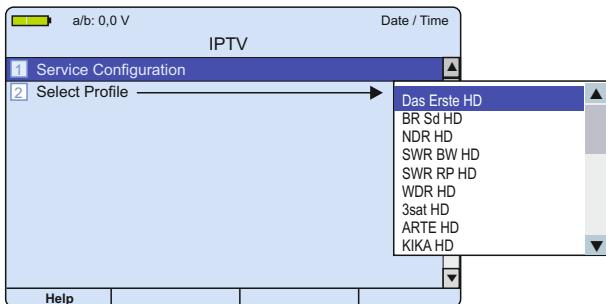
More Views Tests

a/b: 0,0 V		0:32:22		Date / Time		
G992.5 ADSL2+ AnnexJ EU-60 (Infineon) ATU-R (Annex B/J)				Showtime		
VoIP (Log)						
1 Line	2 Data	3 VoIP	4 IPTV			
Description						
Waiting for Network In						
Connecting to SIP ser						
Connected to SIP ser						
Incoming call from XX						
! Answer Call? From XXXXXXXXXX to XXXXXXXX <input type="button" value="Sel (Yes)"/> <input type="button" value="Esc (No)"/>						

More Views Tests

IPTV (optional)

Load IPTV profiles to the device with the KE-Manager



IPTV (optional)

Glossary

ATM

Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM) is a data transmission technique where the data traffic, encoded in small packets termed cells or slots of a fixed length (53 bytes where 48 bytes are data and 5 bytes are the cell header), is sent via asynchronous time multiplexing. ATM Adaptation Layer (AAL): The task of the AAL is to adapt data from higher layers to the format of the payload data field of the ATM cell and to transmit control information to the other side. IP uses the ATM Adaption Layer 5 (AAL5). AAL5 adaptation mainly performs the segmenting and reassembling of IP packets that do not fit into the short payload data field.

BERT

Bit Error Rate Test: The measurement to determine the bit error rate on transmission paths is known as the BER test or BERT. It is usually performed using test bit patterns transmitted by a measuring device, received again following transmission, and then compared.

Bridge

In a computer network, a bridge connects two segments on the level of layer two (link layer) of the OSI model. A bridge can work on the sublayer MAC or the sublayer LLC. It is then termed a MAC bridge or LLC bridge. Another difference is the way of determining the route of data packets in a transparent bridge and source routing bridge. The bridge mode of a DSL modem is usually a transparent mode, i.e., it only provides the data at the ETH port or takes them and makes them available at the xDSL port.

CRC

The cyclic redundancy check (CRC is usually used) is a method for determining a check value for data to detect errors during transmission or storage.

CHAP

CHAP (PPP Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol) is an authentication protocol that is used with PPP. It is formally specified in RFC 1994. In contrast to PAP, more value is placed on security when transmitting the passwords.

DTMF

The multiple frequency method is the conventional dialing technique used in analog telephony and is the method used today primarily in the telephone exchange technique for transmitting the telephone number to the telephone network or a telephone system. Another term for the multiple frequency method is DTMF (Dual-tone Multi-frequency).

ES

Errored Second: one second of measurement time during which one or more bit errors are present. Limit: less than 8% of the measurement time.

FEC

Forward Error Correction (FEC for short; Error Detection and Correction, EDAC for short, is also often used) is a technique used to reduce the error rate during the storage or transmission of digital data and represents an error correction method. If forward error correction is used in a transmission system, the sender redundantly encodes the data to be transmitted so that the receiver can identify and correct transmission errors without further requests of the sender.

FTP

The File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is a network protocol for transferring files over IP networks, specified in the RFC 959 of 1985. FTP is located in the application layer (layer 7) of the OSI layer model. It is used to transfer files from the server to the client (downloading), from the client to the server (uploading) or between two FTP servers under client control (File Exchange Protocol). In addition, using FTP, directories can be created and read or directories and files can be renamed or deleted. Separate connections are used for control and data transfer: An FTP session starts when the client establishes a TCP connection to the Control Port of the server (the standard port for this is Port 21). Commands are sent to the server using this connection. The server

responds to every command with a status code, often with an appended explanatory text. However, most commands are only permitted after successful authentication.

HEC

Header Error Check is a checking method used in the Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM) transmission technique that determines whether an ATM cell was properly received. In this method, the header of the ATM cell contains a header error code (HEC) in the fifth and last byte and this code corresponds to a Frame Check Sequence (FCS). It handles errors in the cell header, but it chiefly checks if the cell boundaries were correctly identified in the received bit stream. During reception, the receiver continuously calculates the expected HEC byte and compares it with the byte that it receives. If the two values do not agree, it first corrects the cell header when it relays the cell. After a few sequential errors, the receiver assumes that it has lost synchronization and restarts synchronizing the receiver. This is why ATM is termed asynchronous. It allows a much greater deviation of the synchronization of network elements than possible with PDH. This solution in ATM targets the integration of data traffic that, in contrast to the telephone networks that are centrally clocked with high accuracy, may come from the completely unsynchronized sources of private users.

Hop

The Hop Count is the number of steps that a packet must take on the path from the source to the destination; the number of routers lying along this path is logically one less. The Hop Count can be determined, for example, using the Traceroute diagnostic tool. The Time to Live approach in which a counter variable in the data packet itself is decremented by one with each hop is based on hops. If the counter variable reaches a value of zero, the packet is discarded, thus not relayed any further and deleted. This prevents data packets from wandering forever throughout the network and wasting resources if circular routes are formed due to faulty routing.

HTTP

The Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) is a protocol for transferring data over a network. It is mainly used to load websites from the World Wide Web (WWW) into a web browser. HTTP is one of the application-layer-established network models. The application layer is addressed by the application programs and, in the case of HTTP, this is usually a web browser. In the ISO/OSI layer model, the application layer corresponds to layers 5–7.

IPoA (IP over ATM)

IP over ATM (IPoA) or, more precisely, IP and ARP over ATM, is a transmission technique in which various protocols can be combined with one another. This is the IP protocol with the Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) transmitted via ATM. In this technique that is not standardized and is described in RFC 1577 from 1994, the communication partners must have an ATM address and an IP address. The ATM network serves as the transmission network between the communication partners. Logical IP Subnets (LISs) that behave just like IP subnets are built on the ATM network. The ARP protocol is used for converting IP addresses into ATM addresses.

IPTV

Internet Protocol Television (IPTV) generally identifies the Internet transmission path for television programs and films in contrast to classic radio, cable or satellite. IPTV is neither a standard nor a concept and is thus only a generic term that can be found in very many different forms. The different forms extend from simple IPTV, computers or cellular telephones all the way to special terminals where the user does not even notice that he is using the Internet because he operates a set-top box by way of the television set.

Interleaving

This is used when communicating between an (A)DSL modem and the exchange. It ensures a high level of data security even when there are line disturbances by transmitting data packets in an altered sequence in a "zipper" procedure. Noise is thereby recognized and eliminated by the exchange. The speed of data transmission is not influenced by the interleaving procedure per se, but unfortunately the PING is poorer which is disadvantageous for online games, IPTV and VOIP: Interleaving increases the response times by a factor of 2 since the path on which interleaving occurs is traversed twice. The higher the time factor, the more errors can occur. The smaller the time factor, the shorter the response times. Interleaving is not used in fastpath mode.

Latency

Latency is the time that a data packet in computer networks requires from the transmitter to the receiver. This arises from the runtime in the transmission medium and the processing time of active components (such as a switch, in contrast to passive components like a hub). The latency corresponds to approximately one-half of the round trip time (back and forth path) of a ping.

LLC

Logical Link Control is the name for a network protocol in telecommunications that was standardized as IEEE 802.2 by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers. It is a protocol whose main purpose is data security on the connection level and therefore belongs to layer 2 of the OSI module.

Line Loss

Loss of the synchronized connection

LOF (loss of frame)

Loss of Frame (LOF) is a signal indicating that an ATM receiving station has lost the frame description. This signal is used to monitor the performance of the physical layer in frame-oriented networks.

Modem

A DSL modem, known in technical terminology as an "NTBBA" (Network Termination Broad Band Access), is a device for transmitting data by way of a subscriber line using DSL technology. It forms the network termination for the DSL line at the subscriber and thus represents the matching piece to the DSLAM. **ADSL:** The technical term for an ADSL modem is an ADSL Transceiver Unit – Remote or ATU-R for short.

NT

The Network Termination (NT) in telecommunication describes the point at which access to a communication network is provided to a terminal.

Noise Margin

Noise margin is the difference between the current line SNR and the SNR that is required for a specific bit rate.

Example:

SNR 1 line = 45dB SNR 2 required = 39dB (for 8000 kbps for example)

Noise margin = 6dB

(SNR 1 - SNR 2 = noise margin)

Since the SNR of the line is a fixed value apart from fluctuations and the minimum noise margin, in order to maintain the noise margin of 6 dB specified in the DSLAM, the transmitted data rate must change when there are changes in the line from disturbances, length or other factors. If a line that has a very high NM is tested, it means that a higher data rate is also possible. This is also displayed by the KE3400B under max. data rate.

Ping

Ping is a diagnostic tool used to check whether a specific host can be reached in an IP network. In addition to this, most implementations of this tool today specify the time between transmitting a packet to this host and the receipt of an immediately returned response packet (= packet round-trip time or RTT).

Point-to-Point Protocol

The Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP) is, in information technology, a network protocol for initiating a connection via switched lines. The protocol is based on HDLC and is the successor to SLIP as well as a series of proprietary protocols of this type. The PPP over Ethernet protocol (PPPoE) regulates the encapsulation of PPP packets inside Ethernet frames. PPPoE is used, for example, by Deutsche Telekom for Telekom DSL connections (and for Telekom Bitstream, T-DSL-Resale connections and T-DSL Business Symmetrisch based on SDSL); several (up to 10) PPPoE sessions to different Internet service providers can exist at the same time using these Telekom DSL connections (exception: VDSL-based services including ADSL2plus paths implemented by way of these DSLAMs) if these sessions can be terminated on DTAG-BBRAs (via OC, Gate or Z-ISP). PPP over ATM PPP over ATM protocol (PPPoA) regulates the encapsulation of PPP packets inside ATM cells.

PTM

Data transmission method that divides the data into specific memory blocks that all possess information about their respective destinations. It allows the long-distance data transmission lines of several devices to be simultaneously used for data transmission. The packets are sent and relayed in a zipper method by the different transmitters.

QLN

Quiet line noise describes noise in the line audible primarily when no other noise is being transmitted.

Router

Routers are network devices that can route network packets between several computer networks. They are used most frequently for connection to the Internet, for the secure connection of several locations (Virtual Private Network) or for the direct connection of several local network segments with adaptation to different network protocols if necessary (Ethernet, DSL, PPPoE, ISDN, ATM, etc.).

Routers make their relay decision based on information from the network layer 3 (this is usually the IP address) or higher. When doing this, many routers also translate between private and public IP addresses (Network Address Translation, PortAddress Translation) or model firewall functions using a set of rules.

Seamless Rate Adaption

Seamless Rate Adaption, possible with ADSL2+, also makes it possible to adapt the transmission speed to the transmission quality of the cable connection in the case of an existing connection without losing synchronization (thus without disconnecting the DSL line). This function is not yet implemented at this time (2010) by German ADSL2+ providers to a large extent (with the exception of HanseNet, QSC and M-net DSLAMs).

SES

Severely Errored Second: a second with a bit error rate of $\geq 1 \cdot 10^{-3}$.

SNR (signal-to noise ratio)

The signal-to-noise ratio is a measure of the technical quality of the desired signal (for example, voice or video) onto which a noise signal is superimposed. It is defined as the ratio of the average power of the desired signal to the average power of the noise signal.

SIP

The Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) is a network protocol for initiating, controlling and terminating a communication session between two or more users. The protocol is specified in RFC 3261, among others. In IP telephony, SIP is a frequently used protocol.

TE

Terminal Equipment, a designation for data terminal equipment that is often used.

TEI

The Terminal Endpoint Identifier (TEI) is an identifier in the ISDN signaling protocol DSS1 used to identify the terminals. Together with the Service Access Point Identifier (SAPI), the TEI forms a unique address for one specific terminal in the data link layer (layer 2) of the D channel.

Timeout

Designates the time period that must expire before a process is canceled with an error. Time limitations make most sense to avoid situations where a process is waiting for something that either never occurs or only occurs after a very long delay. With regard to process synchronization, a timeout is that period of time for which a process should wait for the occurrence of a condition before an error is tripped. Especially with regard to computer networks, timeouts identify the time for which a process waits for a response before a data packet is considered lost and must either be transmitted again (retry) or communication is canceled with a (timeout) error.

Traceroute

Traceroute transmits multiple IP data packets to the destination host starting with a Time-to-live (TTL) of 1. The first router to relay the data packet decrements the value of the TTL by one to 0. It does not relay the packet but rather discards it because of this value. In this case, it transmits the ICMP response type 11: Time exceeded with a code of 0: Time to live exceeded in transit back to the source. This data packet contains the IP address of the router involved as its source address. This information is recorded by the Traceroute program together with the total round-trip time. After this, the program repeats this step with a TTL incremented by 1 to determine the next router in the path through the network. This process is repeated until either the destination host or the maximum number of hops used by the Traceroute program has been reached. The sequence of addresses collected in this way identifies the path through the network to the destination. The return path is usually identical but may differ in the case of asymmetrical routing. As a rule, three packets are sent to each host. The Traceroute result does not always show the actual path. It is affected by firewalls, incorrect implementations of the IP stack, network address translation, IP tunnels or by the selection of a different path in the case of a network overload, and other factors.

URL

A Uniform Resource Locator (URL) identifies and localizes a resource such as a website by way of the access method to be used (for example, the network protocol used such as HTTP or FTP) and the location of the resource in computer networks. The current version is published as RFC 1738. The RFC specifications are the industrial standards of the Internet Foundation IETF. URLs are a subtype of the general identification designation using Uniform Resource Identifiers (URIs). As URLs represent the first and most frequent type of URIs, the concepts are frequently used synonymously. In common usage, URLs are also known as Internet addresses or web addresses, which usually (with the Internet and WWW being frequently identical idiomatically) means the special URLs of websites.

UAS

Number of seconds during which no transfer was possible.

VLAN

A Virtual Local Area Network (VLAN) is a logical subnet within a switch or an entire physical network. It may extend over one or more switches. A VLAN separates physical networks into subnets by ensuring that VLAN-compatible switches do not relay the frames (data packets) of one VLAN into another VLAN and this even though the subnets can be connected to common switches. Tagged VLANs involve networks that use network packets bearing additional VLAN identification marks. Tagging in VLANs is also used if the VLANs extend, for example, over several switches, say, via trunk ports. In this case, the frames bear an identification mark that indicates association with the appropriate VLAN.

VOD

Video-on-demand describes the possibility of downloading digital video material from an Internet provider or service upon demand or to view the material directly by way of a video stream using suitable software. For the video stream, reception in real time, a high-speed broadband Internet service via cable or DSL (at least 6000 kb per second for optimal video quality) is necessary. An Internet rate with unlimited data (data flat rate) is an advantage because this creates a large amount of data traffic.

VoIP

IP Telephony (short for Internet Protocol telephony) also known as Internet Telephony or Voice over IP (VoIP for short) is telephoning over computer networks built according to Internet standards. In this respect, information typical for telephoning, that is, voice and control information, for example for initiating the connection, is transferred by way of a network also useful for data transmission. Computers, telephone terminals specialized for IP telephony and classic telephones connected by way of special adapters can initiate the connection between the call participants.

VPI/VCI

ATM is based on connections that may either be permanent or only switched for a specific time by means of ISDN-like signaling. Virtual Paths (VPs) and Virtual Channels (VCs) are defined for this purpose. The header of each ATM cell contains a Virtual Path Identifier (VPI, 8 or 12 bits) and a Virtual Channel Identifier (VCI, 16 bits). As these cells pass through the ATM network, switching is achieved by changing the VPI/VCI values. Although the VPI/VCI values do not necessarily remain the same from one end of the line to the other, this corresponds to the concept of a line because all packets with the same VPI/VCI values take the same path. This is in contrast to IP where one packet might reach its destination using a different route than the preceding and following packets. Virtual lines have the advantage that they can be used as a multiplexing layer for different services (voice, Frame Relay, IP, SNA, etc.) that can then divide one common ATM connection without causing mutual interference.

General Data

Graphic TFT Display	240 (RGB) x 320
Languages	German, English, Dutch, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, French
Test Port	RJ11 + RJ45
LAN Port	RJ45 Device Management
GbE Port	RJ45
Power supply	Built in LiPo battery
Capacity	> 4 hours in Test Mode
Low batt indication	Coloumb counter
Power supply	100 - 230 V AC 50/60 Hz
Unit comes with	AC power supply and charger, test leads RJ11-RJ45, RJ11 banana plug with rubber insulated crocodile clips, Ethernet cable, rugged cordura bag with additional space, Windows software for download of results and upgrade of unit.

Dimensions

Size	230 x 114/90 x 70 mm 9" x 4.5/3.5" x 2.8"
Weight	850 g (28 oz.)
Housing	High impact resistant ABS, with drop protection
Display protection	2 mm Plexiglass

Environmental conditions

Working temperature	-10 - +70°C
Storage temperature	-20 - +70°C
Humidity:	up to 93%, non-condensing